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The attached report entitled "Engineering Soils Map of Clay County, Indiana", completes a portion of the project concerned with development of county engineering soils maps of the State of Indiana. This is the 54th report in the series. The report was prepared by Dr. P. T. Yeh, Research Engineer, Joint Highway Research Project.

The soils mapping of Clay County was done primarily by airphoto interpretation. Some test data along I-70 are included in the report. Generalized soil profiles of the major soil for each land form are presented on the engineering soils map. An ozalid print of the engineering soils map of Clay County is included in the report.

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INTRODUCTION

The engineering soils map of Clay County, Indiana which accompanies this report, was compiled from 7 in. x 9 in. aerial photographs having an approximate scale of 1:20,000. The aerial photographs were taken in July and August of 1939 for the United States Department of Agriculture and were purchased from that agency.

Aerial photographic interpretation of the land forms and engineering soils of this county was accomplished in accordance with accepted principles of observation and inference (1)*. A two day field trip was made to the area for the purposes of resolving ambiguous details and correlating aerial photographic patterns with soil textures. Standard mapping symbols developed by the staff of the Airphoto Interpretation Laboratory, School of Civil Engineering, Purdue University, were employed to delineate land forms and soil textures. The text of this report largely represents an effort to overcome the limitation imposed by adherence to a standard symbolism and map presentation.

Although no soil samples were collected and tested by the Joint Highway Research Project, general soil profiles were developed and are shown on the soils map. The soil profiles were compiled from the agriculture literature, information from adjacent counties and from the boring data of the roadway soil survey along I-70 supplied by the State Highway Commission. Liberal reference was made to "The Formation Distribution and Engineering Characteristics of

*Number in parentheses indicate references in the bibliography

"Soils" (2), "Soil Survey of Clay County, Indiana" (3) and the Engineering Soils Map of Vigo and Owen Counties Indiana (4.5).

DESCRIPTION OF AREA

General

Clay County is located in the southwest quarter of the State. The county is bounded on the north by Parke county, on the east by Putnam and Owen counties, on the south by Greene county and on the west by Sullivan and Vigo counties (Figure 1). Clay county has a maximum length from north to south of 30 miles and a maximum width from east to west of 16 miles. The area of Clay county is approximately 364 square miles or 232,960 acres (6).

Brazil situated in the northern part of the county is the county seat of government. The city is noted for the manufacture of clay products. A population of 23,933 inhabitants resided within the county at the time of the 1970 census of those 8,163 live in Brazil (7).

According to the 1964 Census of Agriculture 80.4% of Clay county, or 187,310 acres, was farm land (6). There were 31,428 acres of woodland in the county which was generally confined along the bluffs and gullies of the streams and rivers as shown in Figure 2. With the ever increasing strip mining activity the acreage of farmland and timber land is being reduced accordingly.

Drainage Features

Clay County lies within two major drainage basins, namely: the Wabash River and the White River watersheds. The northwest corner and a small portion of the southwestern corner of the

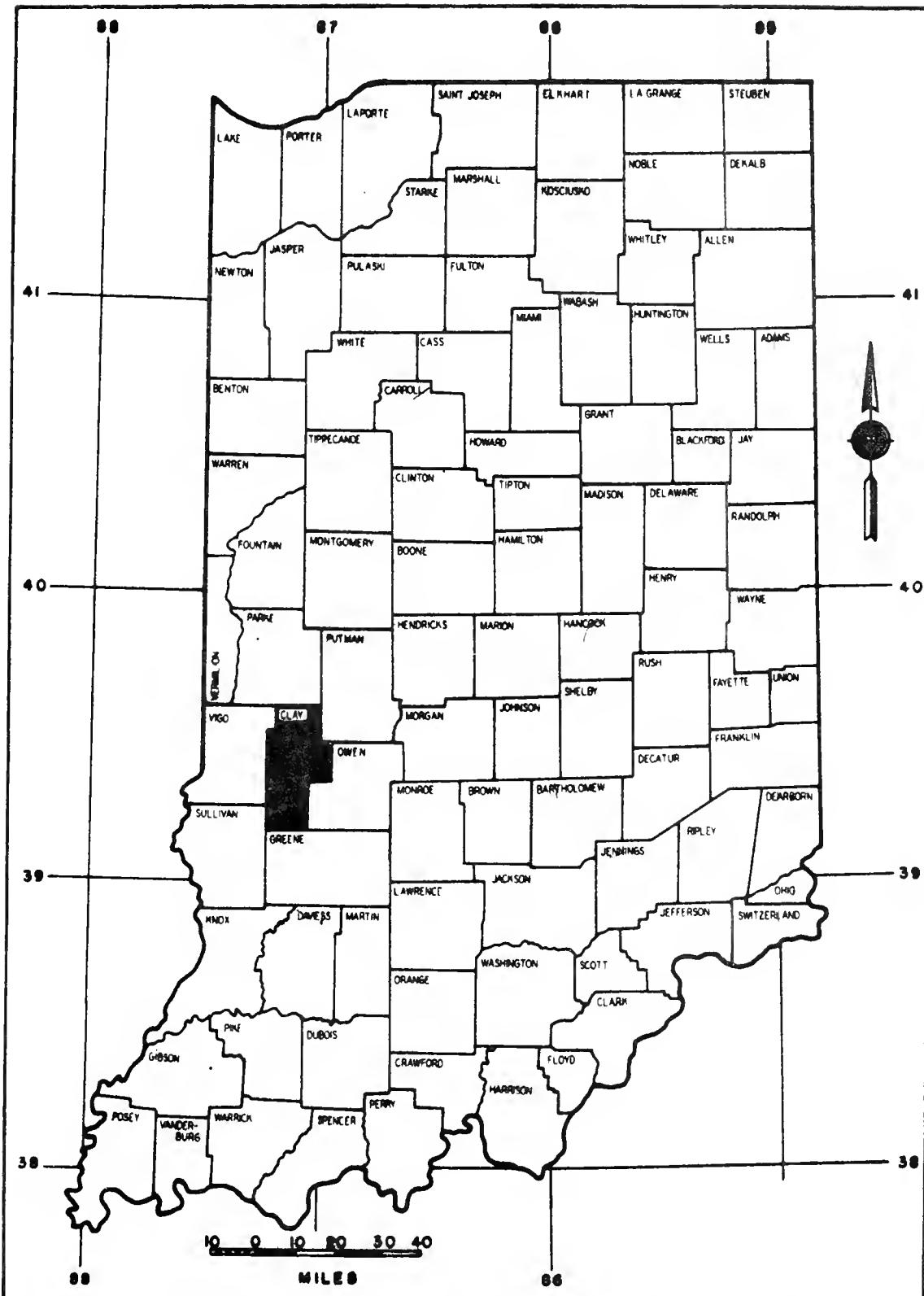


FIG. 1 LOCATION MAP OF CLAY COUNTY, INDIANA

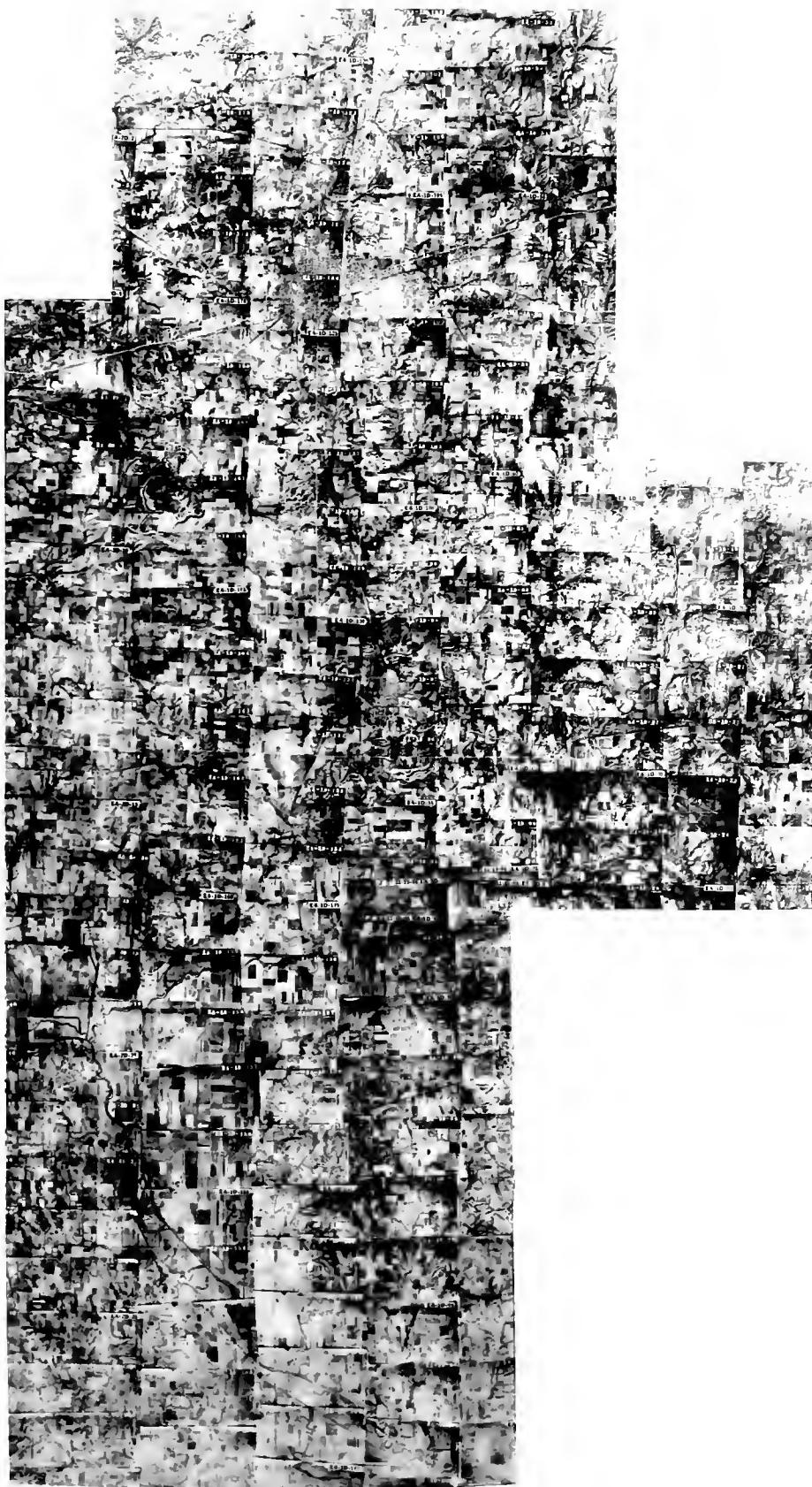


FIG.2. AIRPHOTO MOSAIC OF CLAY COUNTY, INDIANA
FROM 1946 INDEX MAP

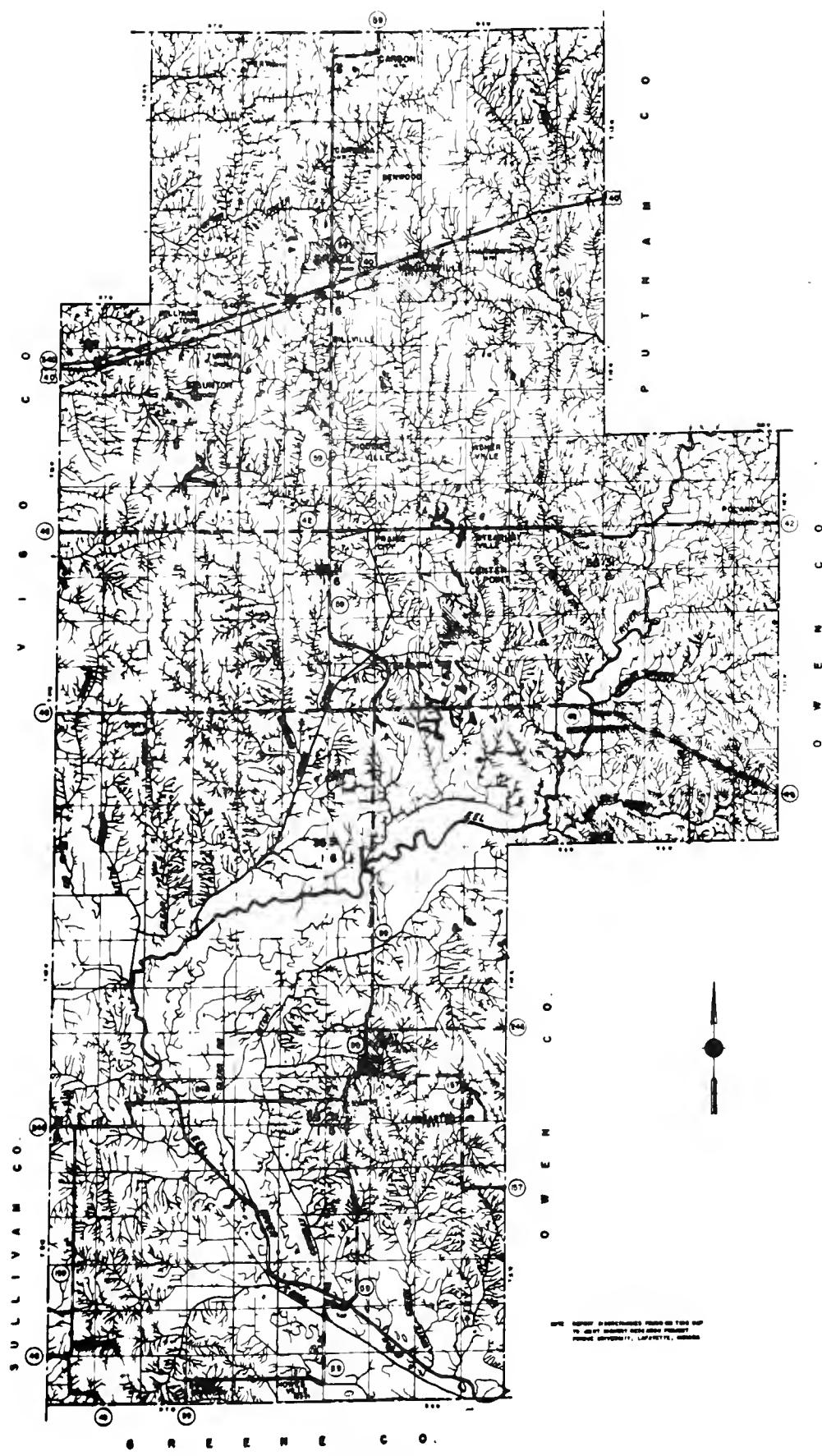
county are in the Wabash River watershed and the remainder of the county is in the Eel River subdivision of the White River watershed (Figure 3). Most of the streams within the county flows in the southerly direction. However streams in the northwestern corner and in the eastern part have a westerly trend. The most outstanding feature of drainage in the county is the abrupt change in direction of Eel River from a southwesterly to a southeasterly flowing stream. Tributaries in the southeastern part of the county have a tendency toward following the same curving course of Eel River particularly the Connally Ditch.

The surface drainage is fairly well developed in the eastern part of the county. Most of the dissected uplands have a fine-textured drainage pattern. The courses of many natural drainage have been disrupted by strip mining operations.

Eel River has a wide flood plain. The river valley acted as a glacial sluiceway. A number of lacustrine and slack water terraces were formed along the river valley during the glacial period.

There are no natural lakes in the county. However, water-filled strip-mine pits and ponds of various origins exist in many sections of the county.

Ditches have been constructed in the Eel River bottoms, and streams have been dredged to improve drainage condition in the nearly level areas. Birch Creek and Connally Ditch are the outstanding ones (see Figure 3) for extensively ditching. Rock control maybe observed on Six mile Creek.



DRAINAGE MAP
CLAY COUNTY

FIG. 3

Climate

The climate of Clay County is continental, humid and temperate. There is no weather station within Clay County, but the records of the stations at Rockville, Parke County and at Farmersburg, Sullivan County, are fairly representative of the local climatic conditions. The annual precipitation taken from a 30-year mean (1934 to 1963) at Rockville is about 41 inches with an expected average snowfall of 23 inches (8). The average mean maximum and minimum temperature and precipitation collected from 1934 to 1963, is listed in Table 1. The average and extreme temperature and precipitation at Farmersburg of Sullivan County (9) is listed on Table 2.

Physiography

Clay County lies mainly in the Wabash Lowland province, except the extreme eastern portion which belongs to the Crawford Upland province of the State (Figure 4). With respect to its physiographical situation in the United States, Clay County is a part of the Till Plain Section of the Central Lowland Province (10).

Topography

Clay County as a whole is relatively flat especially the western half. The surface of the county is that of an Illinoian glacial plain. The primary breaks in the flat surface are caused by the wide (as much as five miles), flat, flood plains of Eel River and its tributaries (see Figure 5). The generally flat glacial plain has also been dissected by numerous small streams, and gullies and by strip mines

Table 2

AVERAGES AND EXTREMES OF TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION AT
FARMERSBURG, SULLIVAN COUNTY, INDIANA

Month	Temperature			Precipitation		
	Average °F	Absolute Maximum °F	Absolute Minimum °F	Average Inches	1 in 10 yr. less than	1 in 10 yrs. more than
January	31	77	-24	2.7	0.7	7.3
February	33	75	-23	1.9	0.5	3.6
March	43	88	-5	3.4	1.4	7.0
April	53	88	21	3.3	1.7	6.3
May	64	96	20	4.6	1.3	8.9
June	72	104	38	4.0	1.6	7.5
July	77	111	46	2.9	1.0	5.6
August	75	106	41	3.4	1.0	6.4
Sept.	69	105	21	3.7	1.0	6.3
October	57	93	19	2.9	0.7	5.7
November	44	90	-4	2.6	1.1	4.6
December	33	71	-19	2.4	0.7	4.7
Year	54	111	-24	37.8	28.7	46.3

Table 1

AVERAGE TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION IN ROCKVILLE, PARKE COUNTY, INDIANA

Month	Temperature			Precipitation in inches
	Mean (°F)	Average Max. (°F)	Average Min. (°F)	
January	29.0	37.1	20.8	2.76
February	31.0	40.4	23.1	2.44
March	41.1	50.6	31.5	3.78
April	52.7	63.3	42.1	3.81
May	61.3	74.4	48.2	4.86
June	72.7	83.9	61.5	5.24
July	76.3	87.7	64.8	3.78
August	74.8	86.1	63.5	3.32
Sept.	67.2	78.9	55.5	2.86
October	57.1	68.7	45.5	2.84
November	42.2	51.3	33.0	3.04
December	31.4	39.2	23.5	2.36
Annual	53.2	63.5	42.8	41.09

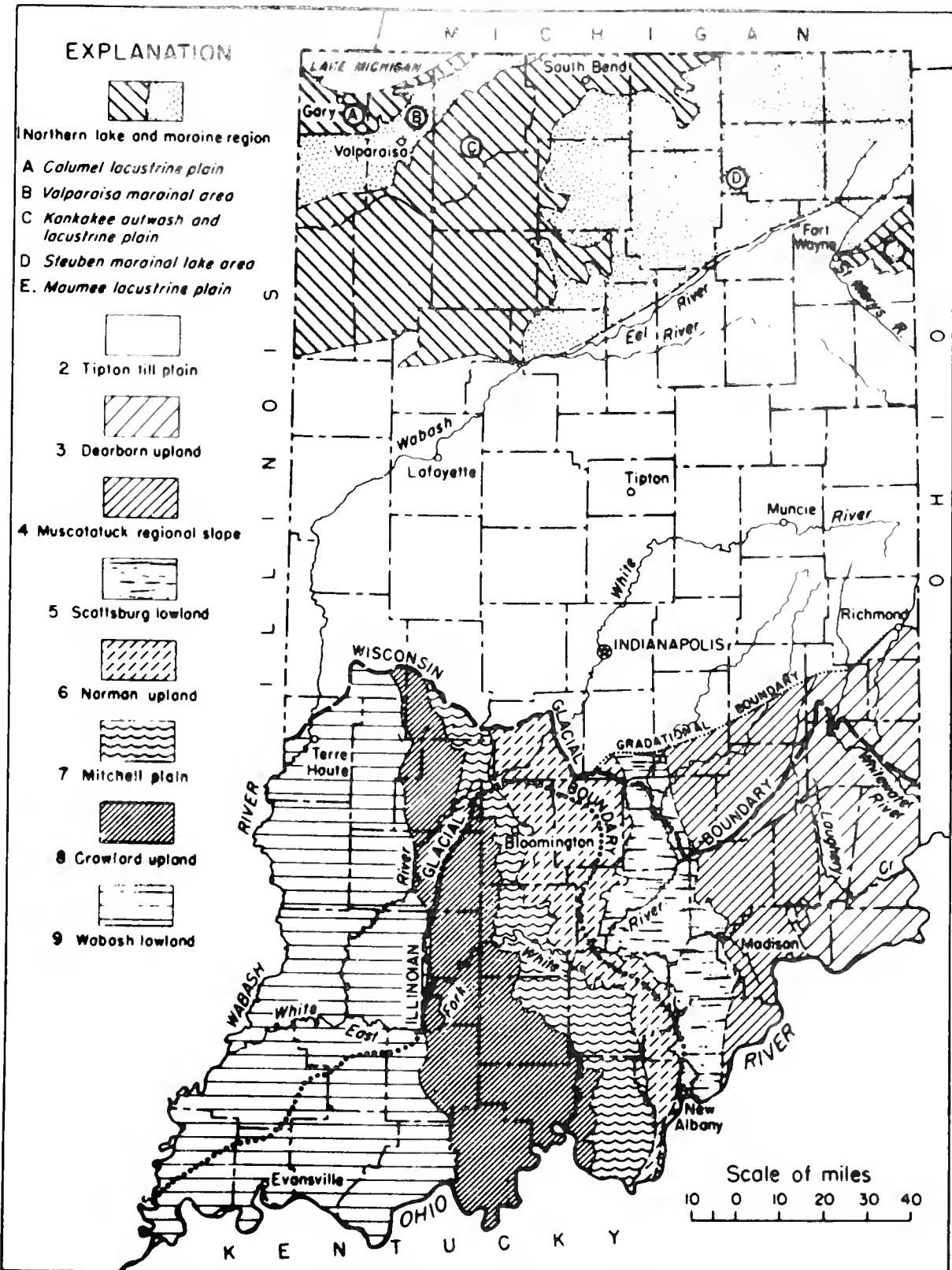


Figure 4 Map of Indiana showing regional physiographic units based on present topography. Modified from Malott

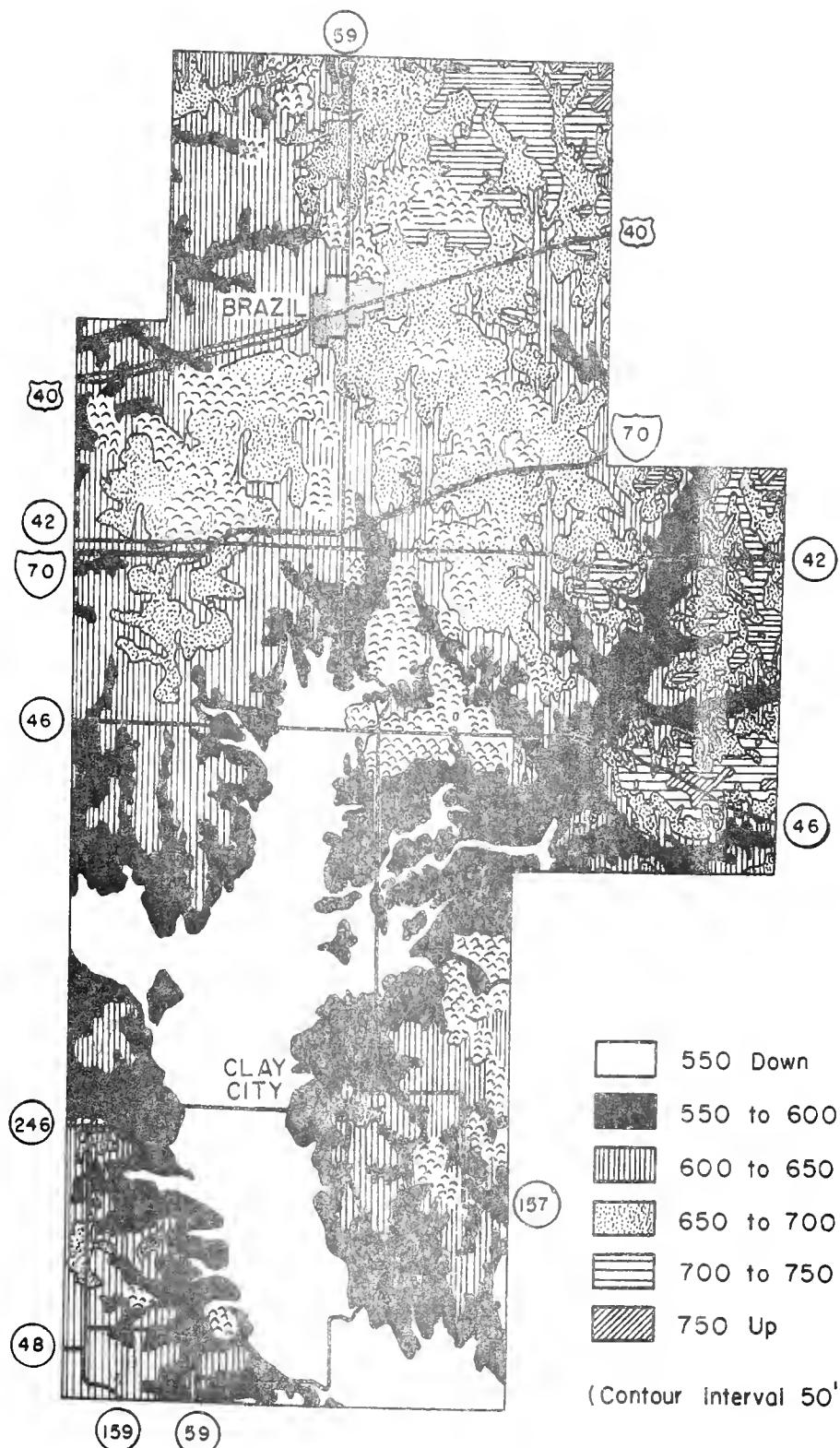


FIG. 5 TOPOGRAPHIC MAP OF CLAY COUNTY INDIANA

activities. A belt of sand dunes and sandy plains has produced some low rolling hills on the east bank of the Eel River Valley.

The General elevation of the upland or the glacial drift plain ranges from 600 to 720 feet about sea level. The lacustrine plains and the slack water terraces in general varies from 540 to 580 feet in elevation. The highest elevation of the county is about 780 feet founded at two points at the northeastern corner of the county. One is near the border with Putnam and Owen Counties, the other with Parke and Putnam counties. The lowest elevation of Clay County is about 500 feet about sea level, located in the Eel River at the point where the river leaves the county at the southeastern corner. Maximum local relief of 145 feet occurs at a point about three miles northeast of Bowling Green. Local relief, in the magnitude of 100 feet, is common along the bluff of Jordan Creek and Six Mile Creek. Strip waste piles, with intervening lakes and ponds and quarries add unique landscape features to the relatively level plain in Clay County.

Geology

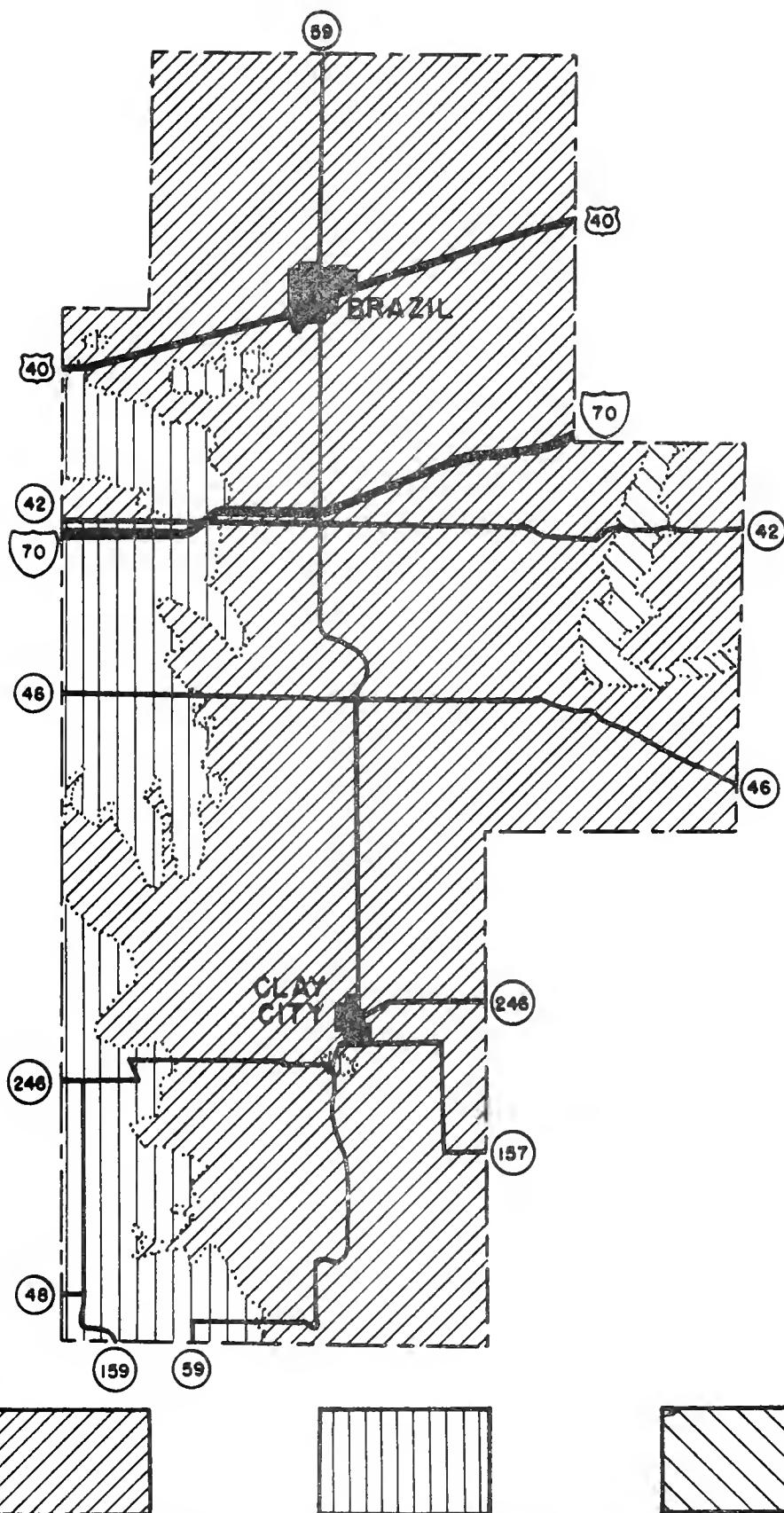
Nearly all areas of Clay County are covered by the unconsolidated glacial material of the Butlerville Till Member of the Jessup Formation (11). The uplands are primarily Illinoian glacial drift with a loess cover, an exception is the belt of sand dunes and the sandy plain along the east bank of Eel River. Most of the lowlands consist of Wisconsinan Valley train and lacustrine deposits, classified as the

Martinsville Formation and the Lacustrine facies of the Atherton Formation by Wayne (11).

The thickness of the Illinoian drift varies from nothing to 40 feet or more (12). In the upland the drift is usually about 20 to 30 feet in depth (13). The drift is thinner along Six Mile Creek near the border with Owen County.

The bedrock strata beneath the glacial material in Clay County almost wholly belongs to the Pennsylvanian system. However, a small strip in the eastern part is recognized as the Blue River Group of the lower Chester Series of the Mississippian system (see Figure 6). The Carbondale Group of the Allegheny series occupies the western part of the county, while the Raccoon Creek Group of the Pottsville series underlies the major portion of the county.

Numerous rock exposures occur along the major rivers and streams and rock is exposed in strip mine areas and quarries. Shale outcrops occur along North Fork of Otter Creek, branch of McIntyre's Creek, Hog Creek and in the vicinity of Centre Point (14). Sandstone outcrop are found along Eel River and its tributaries in the eastern third part of the county. The only limestone outcrop (about 10 feet in thickness, overlain by 30 feet of arenaceous shale) lies in the bank of Jorden Creek, about 1 1/4 miles northeast of Bowling Green as reported by Cox (12).



RACCOON CREEK GROUP
Shale, sandstone, limestone,
clay and lenticular coal beds

CARBONDALE GROUP
Shale, sandstone, limestone,
thick clay and thick coal

BLUE RIVER GROUP
Mostly limestone

FIG. 6 GEOLOGIC MAP OF CLAY COUNTY, INDIANA

A geologic section for the locality of Bowling Green shows the following profile (12).

Drift gravel and clay	20 ft.
Shale and schistose sandstone	15 ft.
Coal B	1 ft.
Fine potter's clay	3 ft. 6 in.
Bluish-black argillaceous shale and rash coal	7 to 8 ft.
Cool A ("block coal")	1 ft. 3 in.
Fine clay with stigmaria	? ft.
Arenaceous shale	30 ft.
Subcarboniferous limestone	10 ft.
Low water of Jordan Creek	<u>0 ft.</u>
	88 ft. 9 in.

The general section of the coal measures at the vicinity of Brazil taken at Sec. 30 T13N R6W shows the following profiles (12).

Soil and drift	20 ft. 0 in.
Fossiliferous limestone	11 ft. 0 in.
Blueish soapstone	6 ft. 0 in.
Coal, K (upper "block")	1 ft. 6 in.
Gray shale	16 ft. 0 in.
Thin bedded, light-colored sandstone, containing reddish bands colored with protoxide of iron	18 ft. 0 in.
Stiff blueish argillaceous shale (This shale varies in thickness from 0 to 8 ft.)	1 ft. 4 in.
Coal I, main "block"	3 ft. 10 in.
Good fire clay for pottery	1 ft. 6 in.
Hard siliceous clay mixed with iron balls	6 ft. 0 in.



Hard blueish shale	6 ft. 0 in.
Soft sandstone with layers of yellowish clay	20 ft. 0 in.
Coal, F	0 ft. 3 in.
Fire clay	?
Argillaceous and siliceous shale	60 ft. 3 in.
Gray shale with iron balls	<u>6 ft. 0 in.</u>
	177 ft. 8 in.

LAND FORM AND ENGINEERING SOIL AREAS

The engineering soils in Clay County are derived mainly from unconsolidated materials. The unconsolidated materials include glacial deposits, glacial-fluvial deposits, alluvial deposits and eolian deposits. A very limited area may be considered as a residual soil or non-soil area. However, due to the scale limitation of the attached map many narrow strips of rock outcrops along the valley wall of the major rivers and streams of the county cannot be shown. In the strip mining areas, the waste piles, as indicated on the map, should be considered as non-soil areas.

The deposits of transported materials are not homogeneous and variation should be expected. General properties and profiles of the soils for each area of different land form, are presented in this report.

GLACIAL DEPOSITED MATERIALS

Essentially all the soils of Clay County are of glacial origin. The major portion of the county is covered by glacial deposits of Illinoian age called the Butlerville Till Member of the Jessup Formation. Wisconsinian glaciation covered these with eolian deposits of loess and windblown

sand. Wisconsinian glaciation also produced alluvial soils, terrace soils and lacustrine soils.

Owing to the long period of weathering and erosion the end or ridge moraine of the Illinoian age is no longer visible. The entire glacial deposits are covered by windblown sands and silts with a depth varying from 10 inches up to 10 feet. The soil derived from more than six feet of sands and loess will be considered as windblown deposits and discussed separately.

1. Ground Moraine of Illinoian Age with Thin Loess Mantle
(about 3 to 6 feet)

Ground moraine deposits of the Illinoian Age with a loess mantle less than six feet occupies the main part of Clay County. Narrow strips along the valley walls in the loess region may be considered under this category because the thick loess of this region are reduced in depth by erosion. However, the limitation of the map scale prevents the detail delineation of this deposit. This thin loess mantle is not considered under the heading of eolian deposit. Due to the different type of vegetation cover, the deposit is subdivided into timber and prairie soils.

(A) Loess Covered Ground Moraine of Illinoian Age - Timber Region

The main portion of the ground moraine deposits in Clay County belong to this category. The topography of this ground moraine varies from nearly level to slightly undulating. Gullies along the major streams are deeply incised into the upland giving the area a rugged look. Many areas are still under timber cover, especially along the steep valley walls of the streams. The well developed white fringe

along the dark centered gullies is the typical airphoto pattern of this deposit.

The upper horizon of the solum is derived from the loess material. The thickness of the loess cover depends greatly on the topography and the distance from the river. On steep slope where erosion is severe, the loess covering may have been removed.

The soil profile shows that the A-horizon is a silt loam or silty clay loam (A-4 soil). Silty clay or clay (A-6 to A-7-6 soil) are encountered in the B-horizon. A leached parent material is found with a texture from a silt loam to a clay loam (A-6 soil).

Boring data along Interstate I-70 reveal some of the characteristics of the thin loess covered Illinoian drift deposits (see Appendix A). The entire route of I-70 is located within this region. Among the 98 samples taken within the county only ten are located within the gully, valley wall and stream flood plain areas.

The top soil taken from the surface to a depth of 0.8 foot is a silty clay loam (A-4(8) soil) at station nos. 1, 34, 41, 45, 48, 49 and 56. It was classified as silt loam (also A-4(8) soil) at station nos. 18 and 38. The sieve analysis shows that the amount of sand varied from 6 to 16 percent, silt between 62 and 71 percent and clay 20 to 29 percent. Samples taken from the surface or a little below the surface to a depth of two feet or more are more variable in texture. The content of clay generally increases with depth. Loam, silt loam, silty clay loam, silty clay and

clay loam are all recorded for this layer. The samples are classified mostly as A-6 soil by the AASHO Classification. However, A-4 and A-7-6 soil (at sites nos. 9, 24, 52 and 72) are also found. The B-horizon taken at a depth from about two to four feet is recognized essentially as silty clay or A-6 to A-7-6 soils. Generally the sand content is less than 10 percent, the amount of silt ranges from 50 to 60 percent and the clay portion is around 30 percent. Occasionally silt loam and clay loam (A-4 soil) may be encountered (at site nos. 27 and 20 respectively). The C-horizon taken from four to six feet below the ground surface is generally classified as clay loam to clay (A-4 to A-6 soil). However, silty clay to clay (A-7-6 soil) are found at site nos. 47, 49, 53, 81, 85 and 95. The Illinoian glacial till taken from a depth between six to ten feet or more is classified as clay loam and clay in general (A-6 to A-4 soil). The percentage of sand increases while the amount of silt decrease from the layer above. A small amount of gravel also is present in this layer. Exceptional cases are: a sandy clay loam (A-4) found at a depth between eight to ten feet at site no. 65 and a clay soil (A-7-6) encountered at site no. 69 at the same depth.

(B) Loess Covered Ground Moraine of Illinoian Age - Prairie Region

About three square miles of land scattered between Cory and Prairie City in the west - central part of Clay County is recognized as loess covered ground moraine of Illinoian age developed under the influence of prairie vegetation. The largest area lies northeast of Cory.

Nearly level topography prevails in these areas. Surface drainage is poorly developed in most of the area. However, tile drains are used extensively in this area to facilitate drainage. The darker and more uniform photo tonality of this deposit makes the delineation of the boundary fairly easy.

The soil profile is characterized by a slightly organic silt loam to an organic silty clay loam (A-4 soil with organic matter) top soil, a silt loam or silty clay loam (A-4 to A-6) subsurface soil and a silty clay to clay (A-7-6) subsoil. These layers are developed in the loess material with a thickness of about three feet. The material underneath varies from a silty clay loam to clay containing partially weathered rocks. The unweathered calcareous Illinoian till with a texture of clay loam to clay (A-6 soil) is found eight to twelve feet below the surface.

2. Thin Illinoian Drift Over Sandstone-Shale

The thin Illinoian drift over sandstone-shale areas are confined in the southeastern corner of the central section of Clay County. The largest area lies north of Six Mile Creek. Others are scattered along Jordan Creek east of Bowling Green. At places along the streams the sandstone-shale may be exposed and considered as non-soil area. Because the width of the exposed rock areas is very narrow and cannot be shown on the accompanied map, the non-soil areas are included within this category.

The deposits are generally situated between the Illinoian drift upland on one side and the stream bottom on the other.



The topography in the area is more rolling and dissected than that of the Illinoian till plain. Along Jordan Creek the deposit is confined to the valley wall. The land is mostly used for timber because of the steep slope.

The soil of this area is developed from a blanket of loess (less than 48 inches in thickness) underlain by weathered Illinoian drift and then sandstone-shale. The upper soil profile is essentially the same as the soil of the Loess Covered ground moraine of Illinoian age - timber region. The silt loam or silty clay loam top soil may be absent on steep slope. The B-horizon consists of silty clay to clay soil. Clay loam and clayey soil form the C-horizon overlying the interbedded sandstone-shale.

FLUVIAL DEPOSITED MATERIALS

Nearly one third of Clay County is covered by fluvial deposited materials. Four different land forms created by the action of water, namely, outwash plain, terrace, lacustrine plain and alluvial plain are discussed as follows:

1. Outwash Plains

Less than two square miles of land in Clay County are considered as outwash plain deposits. These outwash deposits during the Illinoian glacial period are confined to the northwestern corner of the county and the northeastern corner of the central portion of the county. The deposits are relatively small and widely scattered. They may be considered as remnants of a larger plain. Only the area at Poland has a nearly level surface. The deposits also occur on knolls, and as ridges slightly above the surrounding till

plain. No surface drainage has been developed in this well drained deposits.

Soil developed in this area are derived from a loess blanket with a thickness from less than 18 inches to about 42 inches and the underlying sandy outwash material. The outwash deposits varies in depth and the composition is mainly sands with a small amount of gravels.

The soil profile consists of a surface material that varies from a sandy loam to a silt loam (A-4 soil). The subsurface soils are somewhat more clayey in texture, ranging from a loam to silty clay (A-6 soil). The stratified waterlaid sands and gravels (A-2 to A-4 soil) are found from about three to six feet below the surface. The depth of leaching of this soil is about 15 feet.

2. Terraces

Only a few small areas along Eel River, south west of Bowling Green and one strip at the tip of a tributary of Cory's Creek at the northeastern corner of Clay county are classified as terrace deposits. These terrace deposits were formed under slackwater condition. Therefore they may be considered as slackwater terraces.

The slackwater terraces are extremely flat and are slightly higher than the adjacent flood plain (about 10 feet). Infiltration basins are current scars are missing in these terraces. Surface drainage is not very well developed. Surface channels are widely spaced.



The soil of the slackwater terraces are developed from stratified silt, clay and fine sand. The soil profile of these terraces consists of a silt loam or silty clay loam (A-4) top soil and a plastic silty clay loam or silty clay (A-6) subsoil. The lower portion of the subsoil contains less clay than the subsurface soil. The stratified parent material varies greatly in texture from place to place. The strata may contain a silty clay loam, loam, silt and some fine sand (A-4, A-6 or A-7 soil).

3. Lacustrine Plains

There are about 15 square miles of lacustrine plains in Clay County. Two large areas are located north of the Eel River. One lies southeast of Saline City and the other is situated along the Big Slough Creek and Splunge Creek. Other small lacustrine plains are scattered west of Eel River on the southwestern corner of the county and along Six Mile Creek, Jordan Creek and the eastern portion of the central part of Clay County.

The topography of the lacustrine plain is a nearly level plain broken only by widely spaced drainage channels. Occasionally white fringes around the gullies reveal the presence of silt veneer over the fine-textured lacustrine deposits. The topographic break between the glacial upland and the adjacent flood plain is pronounced in places but obscure in others. The boundaries between flood plains and lacustrine plains are very difficult to delineate in the southwestern quarter of the county. In addition, the lacustrine plain deposits in the southwestern corner of



the county is rather thin. The deposit was washed in from the adjacent upland. In fact, it may be called a colluvial deposit in places.

Soils of these lacustrine plains are developed from a shallow blanket of loess material, ranging from 6 to 50 inches in thickness, which is underlain by stratified lacustrine deposits. The top soil of this deposit varies from a silt loam to silt clay (A-4 to A-6 soil). In the slightly depressed areas where the soils are very dark in color, the top soils contain some organic matter. The subsoils are a very plastic silty clay or clay (A-7-6 soil). A clay loam layer may be encountered before reaching the stratified parent material. The texture of the stratified lacustrine deposit varies from place to place. Clay and silt (A-6 or A-7 soil) with occasional thin layers of fine sand are predominate. However, Clay Loam, silty clay and fine sandy loam may be encountered. The reader may refer to the test data for sites nos. 14, 16 and 21 in Owen County (5).

4. Alluvial Plains

Clay County has a relatively large amount of alluvial plains or flood plains along its rivers and streams. The extent of mapping of these plains was determined by the scale of the engineering soils map.

The largest alluvial plain occurs along the Eel River especially in the southern third of the county. The width of the flood plain is about two miles along the course of the river. It increases to over four miles at the

confluence with Splunge Creek.

Most of the alluvial plains have flat to nearly level surfaces. Natural levees may be found along a portion of the larger streams. Special features such as point bars, current markings, meandering stream channels, oxbows and abandoned channels are plentiful along Eel River and its major tributaries in Clay County.

The texture of the alluvial deposits varies greatly both laterally and vertically from one place to the other. The texture of the deposit depends mainly on the nature of the drainage basin and its form of deposition. The flood plain in Clay county may be subdivided into three divisions namely; sandy textured, silty textured and highly organic topsoil.

(A) Sandy-Textured Alluvial Plain Deposits

The sandy-textured alluvial plains are mainly confined in the Eel River Valley (not delineated on the soil map). The deposit is about one mile in width located along the river channel. Current scars, point bars and natural levees are numerous in this region. The deposit is generally lighter in tone than the adjacent silty-textured deposit. Sandy textured deposit may be found near the channels of the large streams and some gully bottoms.

Surface soils are most often sandy loam and silt loam (A-4 soil). The subsurface soil is slightly more clayey in texture (A-4 or A-6 soil). The parent material is a stratified sandy loam, silt loam and sand and small amount of gravel may be found two to three feet below the surface.

Boring data of I-70 (at sites nos. 75 and 76) taken four to six feet from the surface is classified as sand and sandy loam (A-2-4) soil.

(B) Silty-Textured Alluvial Plains

The majority of the alluvial plains in Clay County are of a silty texture. In the tributaries of Eel River the soils are derived from the material of the surrounding loess covered uplands. Along Eel River the deposits lie in the slackwater region. The topography of this deposit is nearly level. Water scars and other features are less common and less pronounced than in the sandy texture region.

The surface soil is generally a silty clay loam (A-4 or A-6 soil) and the subsoil is silty clay (A-6 to A-7) in texture. Stratified silty clay loam and silt loam (A-4 to A-6) is two to four feet below the surface. The sand content in the deposits increases toward the stream. At place it may become a sandy-texture as illustrated in the boring data at site no. 75 and 76. At the bottom of the gully and small stream where the material is deposited under swift waters, a more coarser sediment may occur. Boring data along I-70 at site nos. 8, 16, 44 and 79 verified this condition. Most samples taken from the surface to a depth of 2.5 feet are a sandy loam A-4 soil (about 53% of sand 24 to 32% of silt and 15 to 18% of clay). At test site no. 79, the sample is taken between 0 and 5 feet, and is classified as a loam or A-4 soil (3% gravel, 41% sand, 38% silt and 18% clay).

(C) Highly Organic Topsoil Alluvial Plain

Two sizable areas in the southern part of Clay County are identified as highly organic topsoil alluvial plain. Some oxbows and abandoned channels may be included in this category.

These land forms have an extremely flat and smooth topography. It is slightly lower than the adjacent flood plain or forms a depression. Uniform dark soil tone occurs in these areas due to high moisture and dark colored soils.

The surface soil contains a considerable amount of organic matter. It varies from an organic silty clay to organic clay (A-6 or A-7 soil). The subsurface soils are more clayey (A-7 soil) in texture but less organic. The parent material is a stratified silty clay loam and silt loam (A-6 soil).

EOLIAN DEPOSITED MATERIALS

There are extensive eolian (wind) deposits in Clay County. The eolian deposits are subdivided into two groups: sandy deposits and loess deposits.

1. Windblown Sand Deposits

Considerable amount of land (about 13 square miles) in Clay County are covered by a thick mantle of windblown sand. Owing to the northwestern prevailing wind, the sand deposits are almost entirely confined to the east side of Eel River. According to their different depositional forms, the windblown sands are subdivided into four groups namely: sand



dune deposits, sandy plain deposits, windblown sand on terrace and windblown sand on lacustrine plain.

(A) Sand Dunes

Numerous sand dunes are recognized in Clay County. Most of them are scattered on the sandy belt of the county bordering the eastern edge of the Eel River bottom. The dunes are concentrated in the area northwest of Clay City. Three small isolated knolls occur on the westside of Eel River (two about 3 1/4 miles of Bowling Green and another 1 1/4 miles north from the same city).

The sand dunes in Clay County vary in shape from a simple mound to a series of ridges. The relief of the dunes also varies from a few feet to more than 15 feet. The prominent dunes are delineated individually and marked with a sand dune symbol on the attached engineering soils map.

Although the materials of the sand dunes are predominantly fine uniform windblown sands, considerable amount of silt and clay particles were also blown and mixed with the fine sands. The surface soils are usually fine sandy loam or fine sand (A-4 soil). Sandy clay loam or clayey sand (A-4 soil) are the soil texture in the B-horizon. Sand banded with loamy fine sand usually occurs before the fine sand (A-3 or A-4 soil) strata is reached.

(B) Windblown Sandy Plain Deposits

The sandy plain deposits occur mainly on the southeastern part of Clay County east of Eel River. It is a continuous strip with a maximum width of about two miles near Clay City.

An isolated sandy plain lies on the western edge of Eel River located about two miles north of Bowling Green.

These sandy plain deposits have an undulating to nearly level topography. Surface drainage ways are not well developed in this region except along the edge of the bluff of Eel River and in the vicinity of Clay City where the deposit is thin.

A great deal of silt and clay have been mixed in the sand deposit. The surface soils vary from sand to loam (A-4 soil). The B-horizon is quite variable in texture. Sandy clay loam to sandy clay (A-4 soil) is found in the high position to a clay loam or clay (A-6 soil) in the depression. The parent material is a fine sand (A-2-4 or A-4 soil).

(C) Windblown Sand on Terrace

Three small areas bordering Eel River just south of Bowling Green are considered as windblown sand deposits on terrace.

The deposits have a hummocky topography. The deposit obliterates the characteristics of the underlying slackwater terrace. At places the sand blanket is thin and the characteristics of the slackwater terrace become evidence.

The surface soil varies from sand to silty clay loam (A-4 soil). The B-horizon contains more clayey material and the texture ranges from a sandy clay loam to clay (A-4 soil). The lower portion is a mixture of windblown and water deposited sand and silt (A-4 soil). In the thin sand blanket area the stratified silty clay loam, loam and fine

sand of the slackwater deposit may be encountered about four feet from the surface.

(D) Windblown Sand on Lacustrine Plain

A strip of land bordering the Eel River bottom from a mile north of Bowling Green to a point about 1 1/2 miles northwest of Poland is recognized as windblown sand on lacustrine plain.

The deposits generally have an undulating topography. The characteristic of the lacustrine plain is obliterated by the sand blanket. The surface drainage is well developed along the bluff of Eel River.

The soil profile is essentially the same as the windblown sand on terrace except that the underlying lacustrine material, stratified clay and silt (A-6 soil) is finer than the slackwater terrace deposits.

2. Loess Plain Deposits

An area of the northwestern corner of Clay County is considered as a loess plain deposit. The loess is over six feet in depth underlain by Illinoian drift and followed by the sand stone-shale of the coal measure.

The loess area in Indiana has been mapped previously by Moulthrop on a regional basis (15). Some minor changes or refinements have been made for this county engineering soils map.

The topography of the loess plain is gently undulating in Clay County. Surface drainage ways are well developed along the major streams. However, the typical frond - like drainage pattern in deep loess plain is absent. In the

flat area a phantom drainage pattern verified the presents of the well drained loess deposit on the less pervious Illinoian drift soil. The reader should be aware that on the steep slopes of the valley walls a thinner deposit or a lack of loess covering may occur because of erosion.

The soil profile of the loess deposit has a silt loam or silty clay loam A-horizon (A-4 or A-6 soil). The B-horizon is a more plastic silty clay to clay soil (A-7-6 soil). The C-horizon ranges from silt loam to silty clay loam (A-6 soil).

MISCELLANEOUS

Strip Mines

Numerous coal strip mines are located in Clay County. Some of them are still operating others are abandoned. Both the pit and the spoil material are outlined on the attached engineering soils map. The spoil was frequently dumped in elongated ridges and consists of a heterogeneous mixture of soil materials, sandstone boulders and slabs, shale slabs and some coal. Some of the older spoil has been reforested. Many pits contain water forming lakes as indicated on the map.

The boundary of the strip mine is based on the 1939 airphoto and the available topographic maps and high attitude strip airphoto taken at 1970. Some of the stripping has been subsequently widened and some new sites have also been opened. Field investigation of this area is required.

Underground Mines

A number of underground mine operations were sighted on the 1939 airphotos. Most of them are located in the northern part of the county. The underground mines are indicated also on the attached engineering soils map.

Waste pile and occasional basins developed on the surrounding surface due to the collapse of the underground chambers are the special features of this operation. The engineers should investigate the location of the underground mining area before the design of important structures.

Shale Mines

Several pits are recognized as shale pits or quarries in Clay County. They are located both north and south of Brazil. A large factory with many kilns can be observed near the shale pits from the 1939 airphotos. Some of the abandoned pits became lakes and ponds. The shale pits are indicated with appropriate symbols on the attached soil map. Some of the pits have been subsequently widened, therefore, some representative areas on the map may be too small.

Sandstone Quarries

One sandstone quarry is revealed in the 1939 airphoto on the sandy plain about one mile southwest of Clay City. This verify the statement of thin sandy plain at the vicinity of Clay City as mentioned previously. This quarry has been a strip mine in recent years. Sandstone quarries were reported in Sec. 29, T9N, R7W and in Sec. 20 of the same township by Scovell (16). However, nothing of the kind

is noticeable in the airphoto. A pond in Sec. 29 might be the result of the abandoned quarry.

Gravel Pits

Very little gravel deposits are available economically in Clay County. A large gravel pit is located in SE 1/4 Sec. 12 T13N, R7W. It is now abandoned and has become a pond. It was reported by Scovell (16) that the gravel deposit had an area of 100 acrea with a depth from 10 to 50 feet in thickness and under three to five feet of clayey soil. Other small ones are located at the stream bottom at section 10 and 11, T13N, R6W. All of them are abandoned and have become man-made ponds. Some gravel deposits are found along Eel River north of Bowling Green. However, only one is recognized (about five mile north of Bowling Green) in the 1939 airphoto.

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Soil boring data along S.R. 63

The soil test data tabulated below was obtained from consultants' reports prepared for the Indiana State Highway Commission. The location of the site is shown on the attached engineering soils map. Considerable additional data is contained in the consultants reports.

Site	Station	Offset (ft.)	Depth (ft.)	AASHO Classification	Texture	Percent			L.L.	P.L.	P.I.	S.L.	
						Gravel	Sand	Silt					
1	883+00	42 Lt	0.0-0.8	A-4(8)	Si.C1.L.	0	11	68	21	29	23	6	19
2	886+00	42 Rt	2.2-4.0	A-6(11)	Si.C1.	0	8	62	30	36	19	17	20
3	889+00	42 Lt	0.7-2.2	A-6(10)	Si.C1.L.	0	10	62	28	33	19	14	20
4	901+00	42 Lt	0.3-2.0	A-7-6(12)	Si.C1.	0	3	56	41	41	21	20	18
5	904+00	42 Rt	4.0-6.0	A-4(8)	C1.L.	0	24	49	27	27	18	9	16
6	910+00	42 Rt	10.8-13.0	A-4(1)	Si.C1.L.	1	58	20	21	21	15	6	12
7	916+50	42 Lt	4.4-7.0	A-6(6)	Clay	1	37	31	31	28	17	11	12
8	919+50	42 Lt	0.8-2.0	A-4(2)	Sa.L.	0	53	32	15	NP	NP	NP	--
9	922+50	42 Lt	0.0-2.0	A-6(9)	Clay	1	20	48	31	31	19	12	13
10	925+50	42 Lt	4.0-6.0	A-4(8)	Si.C1.	0	1	57	42	45	27	18	27
11	928+50	42 Lt	2.2-3.4	A-6(9)	Si.C1.	0	5	61	34	33	23	10	15
12	930+00	42 Rt	3.4-5.0	A-4(3)	Sa.C1.L.	4	47	25	24	22	14	8	10
13	937+50	42 Lt	7.5-9.0	A-4(4)	Si.C1	3	6	58	33	26	14	12	12
14	939+80	42 Rt	0.0-2.0	A-4(7)	C1.L.	8	41	26	25	24	14	10	11
15	940+50	60 Lt	7.0-9.0	A-4(4)	C1.L.	0	46	22	32	26	17	9	12
16	945+10	42 Rt	0.0-2.0	A-4(2)	Sa.L.	1	31	47	21	23	19	4	15
17	946+50	42 Lt	2.5-4.0	A-2-4(0)	Sa.L.	3	70	16	11	NP	NP	NP	--
				A-4(4)	C1.L.	8	38	31	23	23	14	9	12
				8.0-10.0									

Site	Station	Offset (ft.)	Depth (ft.)	AASHO Classification	Texture	Percent				S.L.	P.I.
						Gravel	Sand	Silt	Clay		
18	951+00	42 Rt	0.0-0.7	A-4(8)	Si.L.	0	16	64	20	29	23
			0.7-2.0	A-6(10)	Si.C1.	0	4	58	38	36	20
			8.0-10.0	A-6(8)	Clay	1	44	18	37	37	18
19	955+50	42 Lt	4.2-6.0	A-4(7)	C1.L.	1	31	43	25	25	15
20	957+00	42 Rt	2.4-4.0	A-4(5)	C1.L.	0	38	34	28	27	19
21	963+00	42 Rt	6.5-8.0	A-4(1)	Sa.L.	1	59	23	17	21	16
22	969+00	42 Rt	5.6-7.0	A-6(7)	Clay	0	35	33	32	31	18
23	982+50	42 Lt	5.0-6.0	A-6(5)	Clay	2	42	24	32	30	17
24	985+50	42 Lt	0.5-2.5	A-7-6(11)	Si.C1.	0	1	55	44	44	28
			2.5-4.0	A-6(9)	Si.C1.	0	1	63	36	37	24
			14.5-16.0	A-4(3)	C1.L.	5	45	25	25	21	13
25	990+00	42 Rt	3.0-5.0	A-4(4)	C1.L.	7	39	30	24	26	16
26	991+50	42 Lt	0.5-2.0	A-4(3)	Loam	1	49	35	15	19	15
			10.5-13.0	A-6(10)	Clay	2	29	29	40	38	21
27	993+00	42 Rt	2.5-4.6	A-4(6)	Si.L.	0	34	53	13	NP	NP
28	996+00	42 Rt	1.0-3.0	A-4(1)	Sa.L.	7	57	25	11	NP	NP
29	1000+70	42 Rt	0.0-2.0	A-6(3)	C1.L.	3	47	26	24	28	17
30	1002+00	42 Rt	9.0-10.5	A-6(5)	Clay	1	49	19	31	30	14
31	1006+50	42 Lt	2.0-4.7	A-6(9)	Si.C1.	0	9	58	33	35	22
			11.0-12.0	A-6(1)	Sa.C1.L.	1	61	17	21	29	18
32	1009+50	42 Lt	0.0-0.4	A-4(8)	Si.L.	0	23	66	11	NP	NP
33	1011+00	42 Rt	0.3-2.0	A-6(10)	Si.C1.	0	5	59	36	38	24
34	1020+00	42 Rt	0.0-0.5	A-4(8)	Si.C1.L.	0	10	67	23	33	25
			4.5-6.0	A-4(6)	C1.L.	0	34	42	24	26	16
35	1039+50	42 Rt	10.0-15.0			-	--	--	--	35	24
36	1074+50	42 Lt	4.5-6.0	A-6(13)	Clay	0	23	36	41	39	17
37	1078+00	42 Rt	5.8-8.0	A-6(6)	Clay	2	44	22	32	15	11



Site	Station	Offset (ft.)	Depth (ft.)	AASHO Classification	Texture	Percent				P.I.	S.L.
						Gravel	Sand	Silt	Clay		
38	1081+00	42	Lt	0.0-0.4	A-4(8)	Si.L.	0	9	71	20	29
39	1087+00	42	Lt	2.5-4.0	A-6(11)	Si.C1.L.	0	8	62	30	36
40	1090+00	42	Rt	0.0-1.7	A-6(10)	Si.C1.	0	12	55	33	35
41	1093+00	42	Lt	0.0-0.6	A-6(9)	Si.C1.L.	0	8	68	24	35
42	1096+00	42	Rt	0.5-2.0	A-4(8)	Si.L.	0	10	75	15	30
43	1099+00	42	Lt	6.6-8.0	A-6(7)	C1.L.	3	39	32	26	30
44	1104+80	42	Lt	0.0-2.5	A-4(1)	Sa.L.	5	53	24	18	23
45	1108+00	42	Rt	0.0-0.5	A-4(8)	Si.C1.L.	0	7	71	22	31
				0.5-2.0	A-6(10)	Si.C1.	0	5	64	31	35
				2.0-4.0	A-7-6(16)	Si.C1.	0	5	61	34	49
46	1109+75	42	Lt	4.4-6.0	A-6(13)	Clay	1	25	37	37	40
47	1112+00	42	Lt	2.5-4.0	A-7-6(11)	Si.C1.	0	6	62	32	41
48	1123+00	42	Lt	0.0-0.4	A-4(8)	Si.C1.L.	0	11	67	22	29
				1.7-4.0	A-7-6(13)	Si.C1.	0	4	61	35	42
49	1132+00	42	Rt	0.0-0.6	A-4(8)	Si.C1.L.	0	6	65	29	36
				0.6-1.8	A-6(11)	Si.C1.	0	8	58	34	39
				1.8-4.0	A-7-6(20)	Clay	0	5	50	45	59
50	1150+00	42	Rt	0.0-0.7	A-4(8)	Si.C1.L.	0	13	65	22	31
				4.0-6.0	A-6(10)	Si.C1.L.	0	18	53	29	34
51	1153+00	42	Lt	6.8-9.0	A-6(8)	Clay	2	42	24	32	37
52	1162+00	42	Rt	0.8-1.8	A-7-6(15)	Si.C1.L.	0	5	65	30	49
53	1165+00	42	Lt	4.0-6.0	A-7-6(13)	Si.C1.	0	3	62	35	43
54	1174+00	42	Rt	4.0-6.0	A-6(11)	C1.L.	1	24	46	29	34
55	1177+00	42	Lt	1.8-3.8	A-6(11)	Si.C1.	0	9	59	32	37
56	1198+00	42	Rt	0.0-0.8	A-4(8)	Si.C1.L.	0	16	62	22	29
				0.8-1.8	A-6(12)	Si.C1.	0	11	55	34	39

Site	Station	Offset (ft.)	Depth (ft.)	AASHO Classification	Texture	Percent				P.I.	S.L.
						Gravel	Sand	Silt	Clay		
57	1207+00	42 Lt	0.6-2.0	A-7-6(13)	Si.Cl.	0	2	56	42	47	29
58	1210+00	42 Rt	0.0-2.0	A-4(8)	Si.Cl.L.	0	13	62	25	29	19
			4.5-7.0	A-6(6)	Cl.L.	0	42	32	26	29	17
			8.3-10.0	A-4(3)	Sa.Cl.L.	5	47	26	22	25	16
59	1218+50	42 Lt	1.8-4.0	A-7-6(13)	Si.Cl.	0	6	58	36	42	21
			9.0-11.0	A-6(8)	Clay	0	42	26	32	37	19
			11.0-13.0	A-4(1)	Sa.Cl.L.	4	58	15	23	26	19
60	1221+20	42 Rt	0.4-2.0	A-4(8)	Si.Cl.L.	0	22	56	22	26	19
			47+00	S-21-A Rev.	€	0.0-2.0	A-6(9)	Si.Cl.	0	5	56
			47+00	S-22-A	6 Rt	6.0-8.0	A-6(6)	Sa.Cl.L.	3	48	21
61	1266+25	42 Rt	1.0-2.0	A-4(8)	Si.Cl.L.	0	21	57	22	30	21
62	1275+00	42 Rt	2.0-4.0	A-6(12)	Si.Cl.	0	5	56	39	35	16
			6.0-8.0	A-6(3)	Sa.Cl.L.	6	52	19	23	24	13
63	1278+00	42 Lt	4.0-5.0	A-2-4(0)	Sand	0	87	6	7	18	15
64	1286+00	40 Lt	5.0-6.0	A-6(9)	Clay	0	34	35	31	30	14
65	1289+00	42 Lt	8.0-10.0	A-4(1)	Sa.Cl.L.	3	62	11	24	19	13
66	1295+00	42 Rt	13.0-15.5	A-2-4(0)	Sa.L.	2	64	21	13	18	16
67	1297+00	42 Lt	4.0-20.0	A-6(6)	Clay	4	39	24	33	26	15
68	1301+00	42 Rt	2.0-3.0	A-4(6)	Cl.L.	0	36	43	21	22	18
69	1303+00	42 Lt	8.0-10.0	A-7-6(11)	Clay	0	43	18	39	41	16
70	1316+00	42 Rt	4.0-6.0	A-4(4)	Loam	0	47	38	15	NP	NP
71	1318+00	42 Lt	6.0-8.0	A-6(4)	Sa.Cl.	2	49	19	30	22	11
72	1322+00	42 Rt	9.0-10.0	A-6(6)	Clay	1	45	19	35	32	18
73	1324+00	46 Rt	14.0-16.0	A-6(5)	Sa.Cl.	4	56	3	37	38	19
74	1327+00	42 Rt	2.0-4.0	A-6(10)	Clay	0	19	47	34	33	18

Site	Station	Offset (ft.)	Depth (ft.)	AASHO Classification	Texture	Percent		
						Gravel	Sand	Silt
75	1346+00	42 Rt	4.0-6.0	A-2-4(0)	Sand	0	90	--
76	1348+00	42 Lt	4.0-6.0	A-2-4(0)	Sa.L.	0	77	16
77	1366+40	58 Rt	0.0-2.0	A-7-6(12)	Si.Cl.	2	12	50
78	1369+00	42 Lt	6.0-8.0	A-6(7)	Cl.L.	3	42	26
79	1371+00	42 Lt	0.0-5.0	A-4(5)	Loam	3	41	38
80	1373+00	42 Rt	10.0-12.0	A-4(1)	Sa.L.	4	61	16
81	1404+00	41 Lt	4.0-6.0	A-7-6(13)	Si.Cl.	0	8	54
82	1418+00	42 Rt	7.0-9.0	A-4(6)	Loam	0	37	44
83	1420+25	42 Lt	6.0-7.0	A-6(7)	Clay	6	37	20
84	1427+75	42 Lt	8.0-10.0	A-6(7)	Clay	7	32	28
85	1430+94	42 Rt	4.0-6.0	A-7-6(16)	Clay	0	12	48
86	1434+00	42 Lt	14.0-15.0	A-7-5(14)	Si.L.	2	23	68
87	1444+70	42 Rt	2.0-4.0	A-6(10)	Si.Cl.L.	1	25	52
88	1455+50	42 Rt	3.0-4.0	A-4(5)	Cl.L.	2	41	30
89	1470+00	42 Lt	1.0-9.0	A-6(11)	Si.L.	0	27	65
90	1473+00	42 Rt	2.0-4.0	A-7-6(14)	Si.Cl.	0	9	51
91	1478+25	42 Rt	2.0-4.0	A-4(4)	Clay	0	45	25
92	1491+00	42 Rt	15.0-17.0	A-6(12)	Si.L.	0	26	55
93	1493+82	37 Lt	12.0-14.0	A-6(9)	Clay	2	27	38
94	1520+00	42 Rt	0.0-2.0	A-6(12)	Si.Cl.L.	0	12	60
95	1532+00	42 Rt	4.0-6.0	A-7-6(11)	Clay	1	35	32
96	1547+00	42 Lt	2.0-4.0	A-6(10)	Si.Cl.	0	14	55
97	1560+00	42 Rt	6.0-8.0	A-6(11)	Cl.L.	0	36	36
98	1572+00	42 Rt	6.0-8.0	A-6(7)	Cl.L.	3	31	44

APPENDIX B

SOIL CLASSIFICATION AND PROFILE SYMBOLS

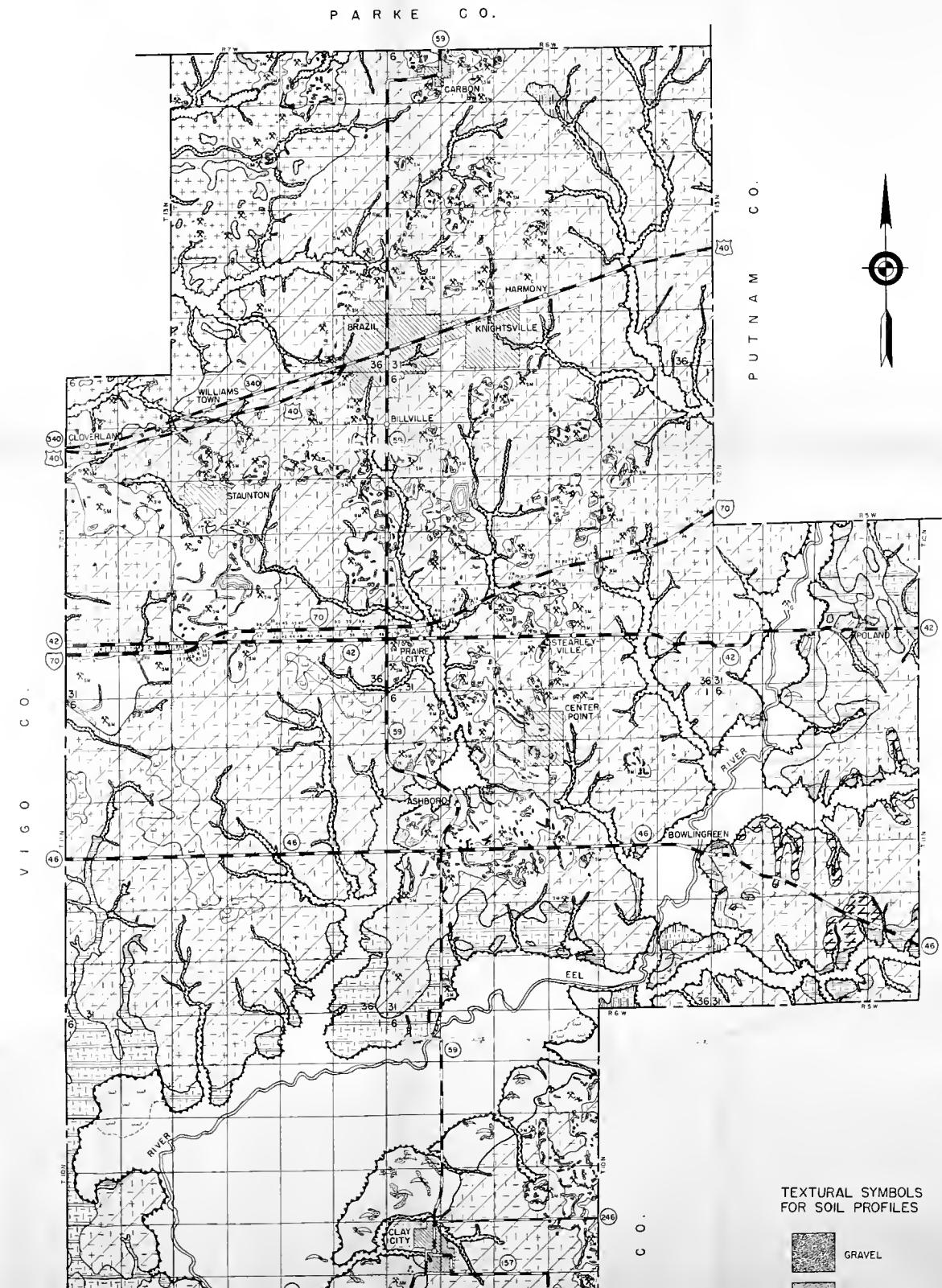
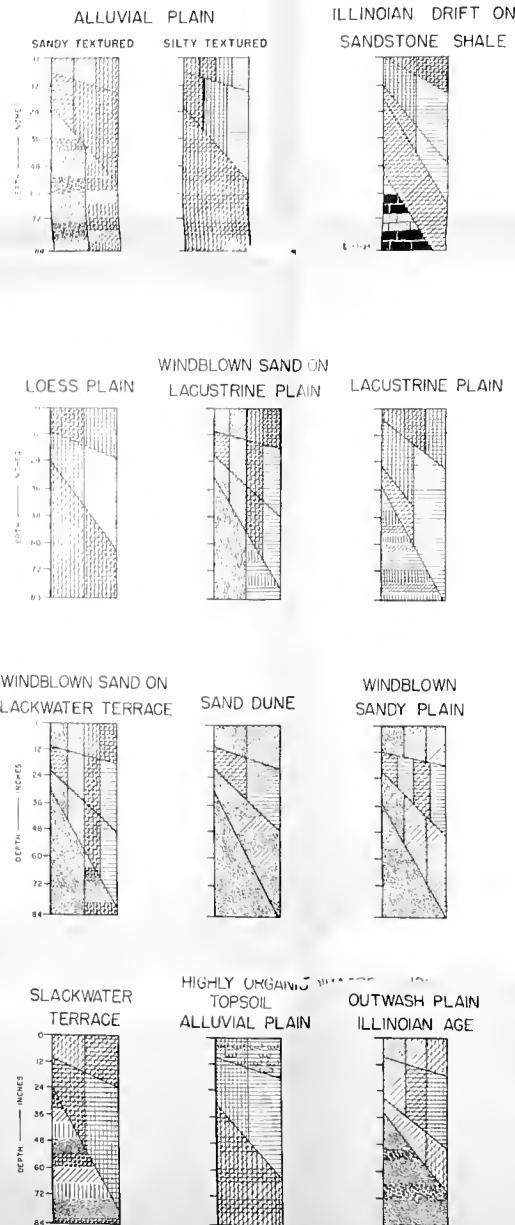
Description	Grain Size Distribution				Plastic Index	Symbol
	Gravel % Retained on #10	Sand #10-#200	Silt 0.05-0.005mm	Clay Less than 0.005mm		
Gravel	85-100	0-15	0-10	0-10	NP	
Sandy Gravel	50-85	15-50	0-10	0-10	6 Max.	
Sand	0-15	85-100	0-10	0-10	NP	
Gravelly Sand	20-49	45-85	0-10	0-10	6 Max.	
Sandy Loam	0-19	50-80	0-50	0-20	6 Max.	
Sandy Clay Loam	0-19	50-80	0-30	20-30	10 Max.	
Sandy Clay	0-19	55-70	0-15	30-45	11 Min.	
Loam	0-19	30-50	30-50	0-20	10 Max.	
Silt Loam	0-19	0-50	50-100	0-20	10 Max.	
Silty Clay Loam	0-19	0-30	70-100	20-30	11 Min.	
Silty Clay	0-19	0-15	55-70	30-45	11 Min.	
Clay Loam	0-19	20-50	50-80	20-30	11 Min.	
Clay	0-19	0-55	0-55	30-100	11 Min.	
Peat or Muck						
Limestone						
Sandstone						
Shale						
Stony Fragments						
Organic Matter						
Topsoil						

Classification of Gravelly Soils

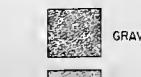
85%-100% gravel plus finer material - Gravel
 50%-84% gravel plus finer material - Clayey, silty or sandy gravel
 20%-49% gravel plus finer material - Use fine classification and called
 gravely sand, gravelly silt or gravelly clay
 0%-19% gravel plus finer material - Use fine classification only

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GENERAL SOIL PROFILES



TEXTURAL SYMBOLS
FOR SOIL PROFILES



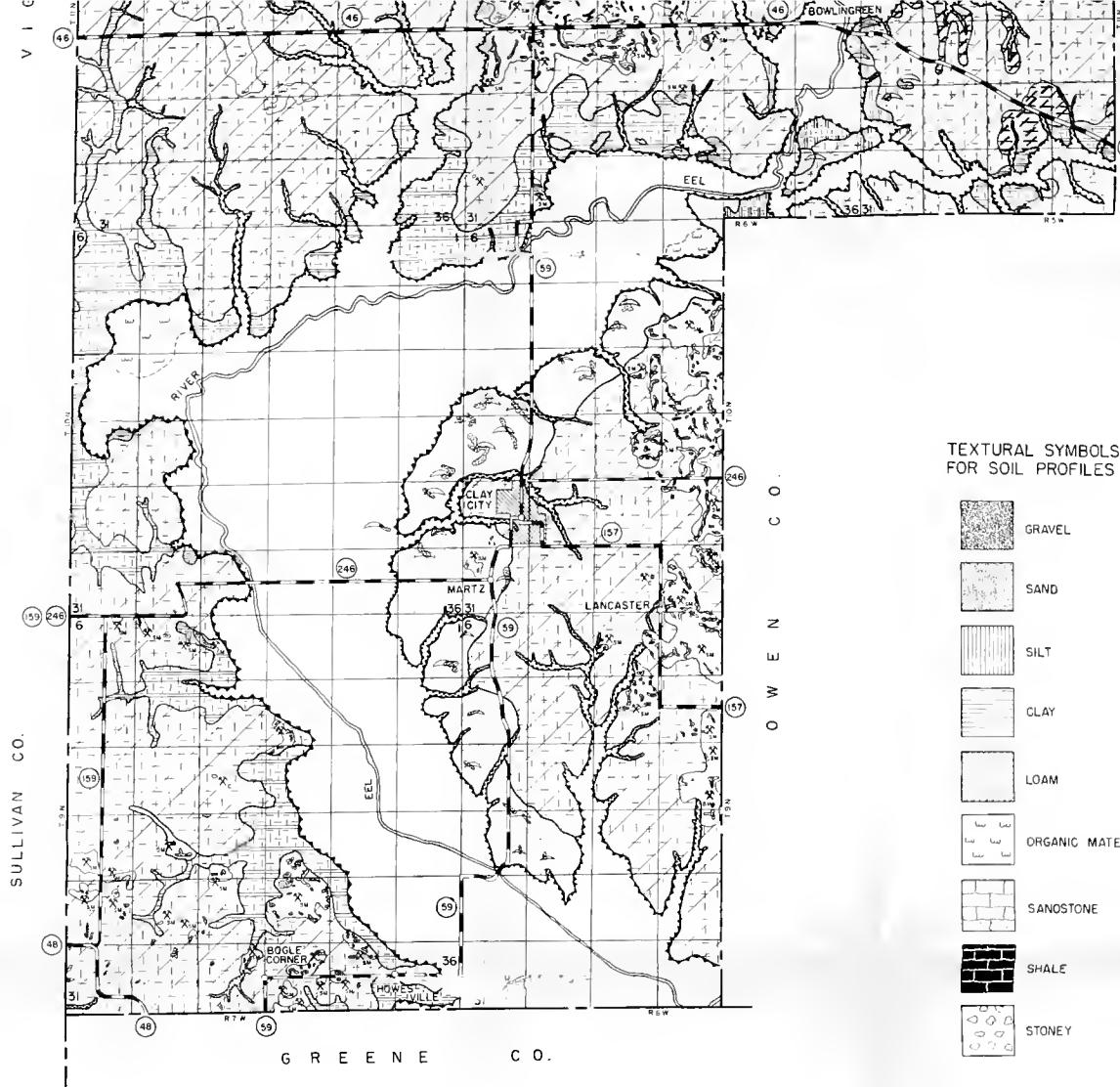
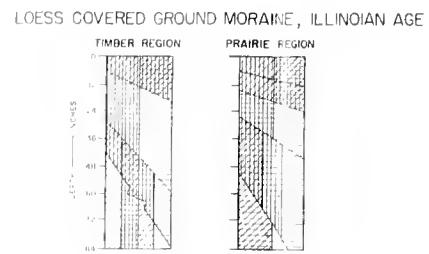
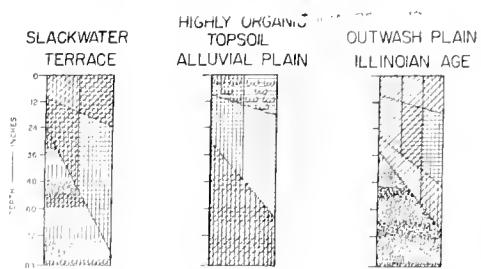
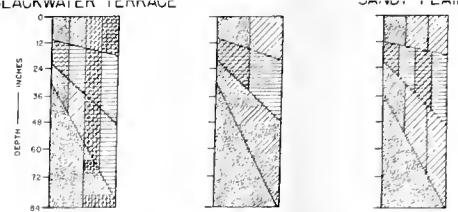
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PARENT MATERIALS
(GROUPED ACCORDING TO
LAND FORM AND ORIGIN)

-  LOESS COVERED GROUND MORaine
ILLINOIAN AGE, TIMBER REGION
-  LOESS COVERED GROUND MORaine
ILLINOIAN AGE, PRAIRIE REGION
-  ILLINOIAN DRIFT
ON
SANDSTONE-SHALE
-  LOESS PLAIN
-  WINDBLOWN SANDY PLAIN
-  SAND DUNE
-  CUTWASH PLAIN
-  SLACKWATER TERRACE
-  LACUSTRINE PLAIN
-  WINDBLOWN SAND ON
SLACKWATER TERRACE
-  WINDBLOWN SAND ON
LACUSTRINE PLAIN
-  ALLUVIAL PLAIN

MISCELLANEOUS

-  HIGHLY ORGANIC
TOPSOIL DEPRESSION
-  LAKE OR POND
-  BORING SITES
-  STRIP MINE
-  UNDERGROUND COAL MINE
-  GRAVEL PIT



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